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MISSION TO DISCUSS U.S. LOAN TO ISRAEL DUE IN JERUSALEM IN JULY

JERUSALEM, May 1. (JTA) -- The mission of the U.S. Export-Import Bank, which is to discuss Israel's application for a \$75,000,000 loan, will arrive in Israel on July 15, it was reported here today. It was also reported that J. Haggerty who was appointed as head of the U.S. technical aid mission to Israel, will arrive here this week.

Mr. Haggerty, who succeeds Lincoln Hale, is a career Foreign Service officer. He is reported here as having met in Washington with top Israeli officials, including Theodore Kollek, director-general of Premier David Ben Gurion's Office, who is now in the United States. American experts who are members of the U.S. technical aid mission are returning to Israel in small groups. They were recalled after the Israel campaign in Sinai.

The U.S. Export-Import Bank loan to Israel was approved in principle by Washington last autumn. The American mission to negotiate the loan was scheduled to come to Israel last November. However, its visit was postponed indefinitely when the State Department took exception to Israel's entrance into Sinai. The members of the mission will be able to proceed to Israel before July since some of the experts who studied Israel's application for the loan have in the meantime been sent to other countries and it will take a few months before they complete their work there.

SUEZ PASSAGE FOR ISRAEL WILL BE TEST FOR U.N., BRITISH MINISTER SAYS

LONDON, May 1. (JTA) -- Israeli passage of the Suez Canal will be the coming test for the United Nations, Foreign Secretary Selwyn Lloyd told Commons today.

The Foreign Secretary also reiterated the British Government's view that the Gulf of Akaba was an international waterway free to the passage of the vessels of all nations. However, under sharp questioning by Aneurin Bevan, one of the Labor Party chiefs, he refused to have the government take the initiative in widening use of the gulf. If British shippers wished to use the waterway, the government would "support them in their use of it," he said.

Emanuel Shinwell, former Labor War Minister, urged that the UN enforce Israel's right to use the Suez Canal. A forced passage by Israel alone might result in war, which everyone wished to avoid, he said. The Foreign Secretary agreed that this was a test for the UN. He further expressed the view that no satisfactory permanent settlement of the canal problem could be achieved which did not conform to principles adopted by the Security Council guaranteeing all nations the right of passage.

MAY DAY CELEBRATED THROUGHOUT ISRAEL; 15,000 MARCH IN TEL AVIV

JERUSALEM, May 1. (JTA) -- With the exception of essential public services workers in every industry in all parts of Israel laid down their tools today and celebrated May Day in traditional fashion.

Parades and demonstrations were held in all cities and towns and rallies were held in the villages and kibbutzim. In Jerusalem few government officials were at their desks and even the post office was staffed by a skeleton crew. Banks were open, but employees who chose to celebrate the labor holiday were not required to come to work.

More than 15,000 Tel Aviv workers participated in a demonstration held at the beach end of Tel Aviv's main street, Allenby Road. There were no incidents in the crowded city, though several hundred Communists who organized a separate May Day parade were jeered and called "Israel haters."

In Jerusalem a meeting in convention center was the scene of a disturbance caused by Communists who shouted a variety of slogans including criticism of the projected visit here of James P. Richards, President Eisenhower's personal envoy to the Middle East. When the Communists refused to subside and resisted ushers' attempts to throw them out, police were called.

At Herzliah, French Ambassador Pierre Gilbert told 5,000 people that Franco-Israel economic cooperation would continue and stressed the favorable future of Elath as a port. He reviewed events leading up to France's decision to help arm Israel and hailed Israel's "glorious victory" in the Sinai. The port of Haifa and the industrial

complexes throughout the city were quiet today as all workers observed May Day. The local stadium was filled for a rally addressed by Mayor Abba Hushi and labor leaders. In Beer Sheba, the industrial and population center of the Negev, and in various southern settlements rallies featuring speeches, dances and singing, were held.

REVENUE REACHED 815,000,000 POUNDS LAST YEAR, ISRAEL REPORTS

JERUSALEM, May 1. (JTA) -- Israel's government revenue during the 1955-56 fiscal year was 815,000,000 pounds, it was announced here today. This is 28 times the figure for 1948-49, the first year of its independent existence as a state.

The report said that 69 percent of the receipts came from local sources, of which 153,000,000 pounds were from income tax alone. Income from abroad, which provided only two percent of Israel's first budget, amounted to 31 percent of the latest one.

BRITAIN AND ISRAEL SIGN AGREEMENT ON SOCIAL INSURANCE PAYMENTS

LONDON, May 1. (JTA) -- Britain and Israel have signed a convention guaranteeing each other's nationals the right to a variety of social insurance payments earned in both countries, Minister for Pensions and National Insurance Boyd-Carpenter announced in Parliament today.

Under the terms of the convention, the beneficiary would be entitled to the total benefits toward which he had contributed in either or both countries. Included among the benefits are: retirement pensions; maternity benefits; widow's pensions; industrial injury or death compensation payments, and medical treatment.

BRITISH SOCIALISTS CHIDED FOR FAILING TO SUPPORT ISRAEL ON SINAI

LONDON, May 1. (JTA) -- A veteran Socialist leader and former secretary of the Socialist International, Dr. J. Braunthal, today chided Socialists for standing on the sidelines during the Israel-Arab struggle and for criticizing Israel's role in the Sinai campaign.

In a May Day speech heard by representatives of the British Labor Party and trade unionists, Dr. Braunthal pointed out that Israel was battling for its survival as a state, for the lives of hundreds of thousands of its citizens and for democracy. He asserted that many critics of Israel had lost sight of the Socialist principles involved in the struggle and the fact that Israel struck first to defeat a carefully prepared assault by a vastly superior force.

The conflict between Israel and the Arab states, Dr. Braunthal insisted, was "between reactionary feudal and semi-fascist autocracies on one side and a free democracy with unique Socialist achievements on the other."

FRENCH EX-MINISTER FOR AVIATION VISITS ISRAEL AS GOVERNMENT GUEST

TEL AVIV, May 1. (JTA) -- Deomed Catroux, former French Minister for Aviation, arrived here today on a ten-day visit. M. Catroux, who is a guest of the Israel Defense Ministry, will inspect army and air force installations.

He told newsmen that there was immense interest in Israel in all French political circles. He praised the manner in which Israeli pilots handled their Mystere jet planes during the Sinai campaign. M. Catroux was minister when the first French jets were delivered to Israel.

RUMANIA ASKED TO PERMIT JEWISH EMIGRATION; CHIEF RABBI DUE IN LONDON

LONDON, May 1. (JTA) -- Prof. Nikolei Corcinschi, Rumanian Minister to London, received an Agudas Israel delegation earlier in the week, the organization announced today. The delegation expressed the hope that consideration would be given to the possibility of Jews emigrating from Rumania, particularly for those Jews who could by emigration rejoin separated families.

M. Corcinschi said he felt his government would consider the humanitarian aspects of family reunions, but the general problem of emigration was political in character. The Minister promised to facilitate cooperation between Jewish religious communities in his country and those in Britain.

Last night, the Anglo-Jewish Association was informed that Dr. A. Rosen, Rumanian Chief Rabbi, would soon come to Britain as a guest of British Chief Rabbi Israel Brodie. Dr. Rosen was recently elected to the Rumanian Parliament as a representative of the Jewish religious community.

DR. NAHUM GOLDMANN REPORTEDLY CONFERRED WITH BONN FOREIGN SECRETARY

LONDON, May 1. (JTA) -- During his flying visit to Bonn yesterday when he conferred with Chancellor Konrad Adenauer, Dr. Nahum Goldmann, president of the Conference on Jewish Material Claims Against Germany, is understood to have also met with Foreign Minister Heinrich von Brentano and Secretary of State J. Hallstein.

U. A. H. C. CONVENTION PLEDGES AID TO ISRAEL; DEFEATS 'NORFOLK RESOLUTION'

TORONTO, May 1. (JTA) -- The "Norfolk Resolution," aimed at preventing officers of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations from participating with leaders of other American Jewish organizations in joint deliberations and actions on Israel, was overwhelmingly defeated last night at the 44th General Assembly of the UAHC. More than 3,000 delegates from all parts of the United States and Canada are in attendance.

The action of the delegates was an endorsement of the policy of Dr. Maurice N. Eisendrath, president of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, the central representative body of Reform Jewry. Dr. Eisendrath participates in the actions of the Presidents' Club, composed of the presidents of 17 major Jewish organizations, Zionist and non-Zionist.

At today's session, the General Assembly of the UAHC adopted a resolution calling on Reform Jewry to do everything in its "power to support the United Jewish Appeal and to further the sale of Israel bonds as a decisive service to the cause of Israel and the Jewish people." The resolution said:

"The welfare and progress of the State of Israel are of deep concern to every Jew. As the haven which has welcomed nearly a million men, women and children during its nine years of statehood, Israel has brought life and hope to those who were oppressed and persecuted. Today, faced with serious difficulties in her national life, she is nevertheless keeping the doors open for more than 100,000 who must come to her shores from Egypt, Hungary and other lands."

Herbert H. Lehman, former U.S. Senator, addressing leaders of the Combined Campaign for Reform Judaism at the UAHC General Assembly, criticized the "great pressure" brought against Great Britain, France and Israel "to force a return to the status quo in the Middle East." He emphasized that this was done "despite the fact that the status quo in this case was a condition completely characterized by illegality, disorder and immorality."

"Could it, and did it, contribute to law and order and morality," he asked, "for the United Nations to support the dictator Nasser and his ally, Soviet Russia, in their murderous designs against free and democratic Israel?" "Was it on moral principle that the UN restored to Egypt the power to blockade Israel in the Suez Canal and provided for Nasser and the Kremlin final authority over the canal?" This is morality turned upside down and inside out," he said.

In a ceremony preceding his address, Mr. Lehman was designated by the Combined Campaign as "American Reform Jewry's Number One Citizen of the 20th Century." In tribute to Mr. Lehman, \$195,000 in extra gifts came forward for the Combined Campaign from both the assembled guests and contributions in all parts of the United States and Canada.

W. J. C. CONFERENCE HEARS REPORTS ON JEWS IN YUGOSLAVIA, NORTH AFRICA

LONDON, May 1. (JTA) -- The status of the Jewish community in Yugoslavia is far different from that of the Jewish communities of the other Eastern European Communist countries, Dr. M. Vajs of Yugoslavia today told the executive session of the World Jewish Congress. He is the only delegate from a Jewish organization in a Communist country attending this parley.

Dr. Vajs told the representatives of Jewish groups from 20 countries that, although the WJC was in fact politically neutral between the Eastern and Western blocs, it was a question whether these with whom the WJC hoped to negotiate in the USSR and Eastern Europe for re-establishment of bonds with their Jewries would accept the Congress neutrality.

He advised that the WJC express its concern for the Jews who remain in the Communist countries, as well as with those who wish to emigrate, as an indication of its non-partisan orientation.

The position of the Jews of Morocco and Tunisia is not as desperate now as it was when the World Jewish Congress executive last met in 1956, A. L. Eastermank political secretary of the Congress, reported. Despite many difficulties, he disclosed, the emigration of 7,000 Moroccan Jews had taken place in the last year. He expressed the hope that new difficulties in the path of mass emigration would be overcome in talks with the Moroccan Government.

Dr. Maurice Perlzweig, another member of the executive, assailed the United Nations for remaining silent on Egyptian anti-Jewish measures "to appease the Egyptian Government and secure an international regime for the Suez Canal." He paid tribute to the efforts of the International Red Cross in behalf of Egyptian Jewry.

VANDALS BREAK INTO SALZBURG SYNAGOGUE; AUSTRIAN JEWRY CONCERNED

VIENNA, May 1. (JTA) -- Austrian Jewry was deeply concerned today over a report from Salzburg that vandals had broken into the Salzburg Synagogue and smashed an expensive chandelier and furniture. Police are investigating, but so far have not turned up any leads to the vandals.

U.S. WAR VETERANS PROTEST BAN ON JEWISH SERVICEMEN IN SAUDI ARABIA

WASHINGTON, May 1. (JTA) -- The American Veterans Committee today announced adoption of a policy decision to ask the U.S. Government "to investigate reports of persecution of Jews in Egypt." If these reports are found factual, the veterans group said, the United States should "register a sharp protest and attempt to forestall any Nazi-like situation."

The AVC asked, meanwhile, that the United States "refuse to accede to foreign governments such as Saudi Arabia which demand that Jews be barred from U.S. military installations in their countries." Defining its position on the Middle East, AVC called for open passage to "all nations" in the Gulf of Akaba and Suez Canal, United Nations control of the Gaza Strip, and a "fair solution of the refugee problem." AVC asked the United States to take the lead in the United Nations to make a permanent United Nations Emergency Force.

538 STUDENTS GRADUATE FROM HEBREW UNIVERSITY IN JERUSALEM

JERUSALEM, May 1. (JTA) -- A total of 538 men and women were graduated from the Hebrew University of Jerusalem today in the institution's 28th annual commencement. This brought to 3,590 the total number graduated since the university was opened.

Degrees of Bachelor of Arts were awarded to 174 graduates; Bachelor of Education to three; Bachelor of Science to three; Master of Arts to 27; Master of Social Sciences to 11; Master of Science to 82; Master of Science in Agriculture to 21; Master of Laws to 115; Doctor of Medicine to 51, and Doctor of Philosophy to 59. Among the recipients were men and women in uniform and several married couples.

AMERICAN JEWS ASKED TO BUY \$100,000,000 ISRAEL BONDS THIS YEAR

TEL AVIV, May 1. (JTA) -- The Israel bond campaign must provide \$100,000,000 for Israel's current development budget, Levi Eshkol, Finance Minister, told a delegation of American Israel bond leaders at a special luncheon today.

Israel's most pressing problem is the provision of 25,000 housing units a year, Mr. Eshkol said. He noted that even this would hardly cope with the needs of the 100,000 immigrants expected in 1957. He disclosed that 12,000 immigrants were expected to arrive during May and that Israel must provide them with effective economic absorption.

ISRAEL ENVOY APPEARS BEFORE AUSTRALIAN PARLIAMENTARY COMMITTEE

SYDNEY, Australia, May 1. (JTA) -- Israel's Minister to Australia, Max Nurock, spent an hour and a half yesterday discussing a variety of Middle East problems with Australia's Parliamentary Foreign Affairs Committee in Canberra. It is highly unusual for the head of a foreign mission to be invited to appear before a Parliamentary committee.

During his appearance, Mr. Nurock was asked scores of questions. His replies were heard in an atmosphere of sympathy and deep interest. The committee represents only the government parties; the Labor Party boycotts it.

J.D.C. SENDS RABBI BERNSTEIN FOR FOUR-MONTH STUDY OF ITS WORK

PARIS, May 1. (JTA) -- Rabbi Philip Bernstein, chairman of the American Zionist Committee of Public Affairs, began a four and one-half month tour of Joint Distribution Committee installations and refugee centers in Europe and Israel in connection with the United Jewish Appeal's emergency refugee rescue campaign. He will gather material on the Egyptian, North African, Hungarian and other European relief situation and will study the conditions of the surviving Jewish communities in Austria and Germany.

After a special JDC conference in Paris, where Rabbi Bernstein renewed acquaintance with people he worked with in 1946-47, when he was the Advisor on Jewish Affairs to the U.S. Military Commanders in Europe, he left for the ports of Marseille and Genoa, where he will see ships bringing Jews forced out of Egypt and North Africa, and visit the camps for refugees there. Also on Rabbi Bernstein's itinerary are visits to Austria and Germany where he will see the program for resettling the homeless, including the Malben operation of JDC.

NEW YORK HOME FOR AGED JEWS GETS \$1,250,000 "LIVING LEGACY"

NEW YORK, May 1. (JTA) -- The Home for Aged and Infirm Hebrews of New York, an affiliate of the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies of New York, announced today receipt of a "living legacy" of at least \$1,250,000 from Miss Amy Frank for the building of a pavilion to house 100 to 125 elderly people. The Home announced that it will begin work on the pavilion on the basis of an "irrevocable" clause in Miss Frank's will which guarantees this sum after her death. Miss Frank is a member of a prominent Pittsburgh steel family.